

Copy of will of
Richard Thomas- found in Court House in
Paris, Lamar County, Texas.

" Will of Richard Thomas, Republic of Texas, June 23, 1840.

I, Richard Thomas, of County of Red River, Republic of Texas.,
(after lengthy preamble) " give and bequeath to my son

John Thomas--D. Thomas, who lives with and takes care of me, the
following properties. - The plantation and 440 Acres of land on which
I now live, and all singular appertenances there to belonging; (etc.)
The said John D. Thomas binds himself to payall of my past debts and
mantain and support in a decent manner his Mother for and during her
life, and to enable him to so do I place under his sole control all of
my estate both real and personal from the the date herewith until death.
I give unto my son William Thomas, 420 Acres of land, part of my
head right ,(names specified slaves etc. etc.)

I give and bequeath to my son George Thomas 420 Acres of land ,part of
my head right, (specified slaves etc. as he named for William Thomas.)
To my daughter Emily Williamson and her heirs, (names her interests)
To my daughter Sarah Nelson, (names her interests)
To my daughter Lucy Nelson--Allen , (names her interests)
To my daughter Elizabeth Draper, dec. her children's share to remain
in care of my son John D. Thomas to be applied for their use.

This will given into the hands of Geo. W. Wright for safe keeping.
Same date, will of Mary Thomas wife of Richard Thomas, approves will of
her husband Richard Thomas. Witt. Geo. W. Wright ,Claiborne Chisum &
Atkins Dodd.

Will of Richard Thomas, probated, Feb. 1843, John D. Thomas , Ex.
made his final report, April, 28, 1845.
Allof these papers in Court House, I copied only the main parts.

But I saw the letter from George Thomas acconolodging receiving his
part. Also a bame looking like "Judah" Drapee , I decided was father
of Elizabeth Draper, dec.

From Texas Land office, received by me, Jan. 31, 1946-

ile 25- Red River 2nd Class, discloses that - Richard Thomas, was
ntitled to 1200 & 80 Acres. of land, by virtue of Certificate 281
st. 4, 1838, he having proved heresided in Republic three years,

and performed all of the duties required of him as a citizen.

Dated July, 5, 1841 . Certificate No. e81 states that he arrived Dec. 12, 1836, at which time he was a married man.

This tract is situated in Lamar County and was patented to Richard Thomas on Dec. 9, 1841.

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John D. Thomas was father of my Mother, Martha (Mattie) Thomas Henderson. The D. stood for Dawson. My Mother married at sixteen, shortly after the Civil War, Travis Clack Henderson.

I was the 7th child and she died when I was a baby.

I was named for her younger sister Fanny Thomas- I was told that she was named for her aunt Fanny Thomas , wife of George Henry Thomas.

Also my Aunt, Ella Thomas , told me to never mention the subject, as Uncle George was a Yankee. My Grand Father John Dawson Thomas died during the war, and his Father Richard Thomas, died 1843 so they never realized that George H. Thomas was estranged from his people.

As you see , in will wife of Richard is called Mary Thomas.

I feel sure that Elizabeth Rochelle Thomas must have been a sister of Mary- wife of Richard. And according to statements made in Insurance application papers Richard & Mary died as consequence of accident.

I am anxious to straighten this tangle, as I believe the confusion occurred because the family were ashamed of his decision to stay with the Union. I am hoping that I can find the answer thru the Sisters lineage.

Fanny Henderson Russ.

Duplicate

(Nat Turner Insurrection 1831 3)

From records in Court House of Paris, Lamar Co. Texas.

Formerly Red River C. Republic of Texas.

A copy of a letter written to me Jan. 31- 1946, now in my Poss. Commissioner of the General Land Office, Austin Texas. File 25, Red River 2nd. Class, discloses that Richard Thomas was entitled to "1200 & 80 Acres of land by virtue of Certificate No. 281 dated 4th. day of Oct. 1838. Granted to him by the Board of Land Com. for the County of Red River, he having proved - -that he has resided in the Republic, three years, and performed all the duties required of him as a citizen."- This certificate is dated July 5, 1841 Certificate No. 281 above referred to, states that he arrived Dec. 12, 1836, at which time he was a married man. Our record give no further personal data. This tract is situated in Lamar Co., and was patented to Richard Thomas on Dec. 9, 1841
Sincerely yours, Bascom Giles, Comm

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To my daughter Emily Williamson and her heirs, etc. etc.

To my daughter Sarah Nelson, etc.

To my daughter Lucy Allen etc.

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Same date - Will of Mary Thomas wife of Richard Thomas. Will of her husband approved. Witnesses, Geo. W. Wright, Claiborne Chisum, - Atlas Dodd.

Will of Richard Thomas probated Feb. 1843, John D. Thomas exutor of Richard Thomas & Mary Thomas.
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Robert

Robt. Tho. Oct 21, 1684 -
let the land of em. Sewer
+ John Newray. 10 a.

9 of w.
Sand office

Robt Tho. Son of John + Ruth Thomas
buried Mar 14, 1663 -
Bristol + Middleton Par. James City
m John Tho buried Oct. 9. 1663. - 75-
Pg 73.

S. O B. 1691-1713

31. Joseph Ford seem to declare what est of Robt
Thomas in his hands - had suf. goods in
hands to satisfy an execution of w^m Jolly -
Hugh Campbell his atty. 1691.

70. Jos. Ford atty of Capt Robt Thomas arrested at suit
of Capt Roger Jones, assignee of Capt Geo. Brent -
6-23-1693 - - attach g^l sh^{ip} for
5 £ or 30 gal. good old rum.
S. O B. 1691-1700

D#3 306.

Perry

2 the Substanting ally of Capt. Rogers Jones do Consent
+ appoint Hugh Campbell to be an ally under me in
all such actions as shall be had for the forced
Jones to 154 is in Surg. C. of Capt. Capt. Robert
Thomas in his ally. I have signed the present 125
8th of Aug 1692 P. Perry.

23

6 B

1691-1713

Perry

Whereas Mary Hamilton sent to Mr. Robert
Thomas and to remain at house of Lem Jolly
by order of 1689 - Jolly put for bill - Joseph
Bond ally of Mr. Thomas - to pay Mr. Jolly bill
for entertainment - No execution upon order
John Pitt Cl - (27th) 6-9-1691
4-3-1692 - appt of Robert Thomas - by
Jos. Riddick, Arthur Davis, John Ingram,
Elias Goodrich -

Apr. 20 - 1689 - Pres. + Council
upon the pt. of Rolt Thomas,
complaining that the C. Ct. if
J of W had made several orders
agt him in the time of his sick-
ness + Execution issued on
these orders, order that the
Clerk transcribe all these
orders + return them to
the Gen Ct.

Ex Jour.

Ct. Coun. Wt 1 - 5-19.

Apr. - 30 - 1689
Pres + Council suspend the
judgements of execution agt
Rolt Thomas + order the whole
affair to be settled + the matter
referred back to J of W + Ct. Sec.
ordered to be present. p. 520.
over.

June 5-1690 Robt Tho ordered
to be taken into custody ^{Kill}
he gave Bond not to Trade or
have any correspondence with
the Indians - p 523

Pat. Amadon =
w Bp - 212.
Exam


Samuel

Ord. Ch. Wardens find of
Samuel Thomas inf orphan of
Wm Thomas died 1751 - 149
Sof G.B. 1

Saml Thomas an evidence for
Sarah Lawrence at the suit of
Wm Gouvier & Ann his wife &c
1759 G.B. 1759-63 36.

Saml Thomas, ordained clergyman for
Cawleria 7-2-1702.
U.H.M. 7-311

Saml Thomas, in Capt Mercer's Co.
Aug 2, 1756
when Enlisted Sept 1, 1753
where - Prince Gen.
Age 41
Size - 5 ft - 9 in
Trade - Buchlayer
Country, England
U.H. Mag. Vol 2 - 148



Samuel

Rott woodleaf, nephew woodleaf Thomas
nep alternative Tho, - Saml. Tho Ex
Wm. Hamblin 1750
Wm Wall 1-27.1769
Arnelia 1-123

456. Ed of Saml Thompson - to pd Wm Thomas' life by
to pd Rott Payne his by.
Sewing 1715-30

1656. Why did Wm. Thomas
Est one John Sanders
decd in half of the mother
of sd Sanders for Phyend
+ looking to major Westhays
household & salary of
Mr. Agharawd?
Survey Bk 1-99.

William

Samuel Waterhouse ✓
sold Wm Thomas
50@ of land on wh sd
Waterhouse lived 1-25-1652
Survey Bk 1-101

Bertie

A 2 - Henry Summs of Chawan Pucant
Plantes 9 1/2 to Wm Thomas of 107 a.
180@. 1/2 of T. gited H. Summs y pat
3-1-1719 on yowash woods, Moratlock Ro
ady Wm Cam. 1722 Mas.
Wd Cam & John Gray. Pat Mauld.

June 26-1657- Thomas ✓
Jones, feoffee in Trust of
estate of Wm Thomas +
Tho. Jones.
Wt Jane Blackborne R John
Blackburne died - 9-2-1656.
Survey Bk 1-89.

R. H. GILL Insurance

FIRE - AUTOMOBILE - LIFE
PHONE 158 - SMITHFIELD, VA.

1656.
Tho. Jones, feoffee in Trust
of est of Wm Thomas &
Tho. Jones - Wt Jane
Blackburne - rel of John B.
S. Bk 1-89.

3 - 17-1657-

Capt. Henry Perry = exlly
Jeremiah Clements D of G to
Edw. Oliver for 250 a
eastmost pt of a path of
350 a - formerly belonging
to Clements bordering on
Wm Gapene + Wm Thomas
if Oliver d. 5 p. to return
to Perry
Jewry Bk 1 - 160

16-22-1740 Lt Joe. Franco of 1 of W
+ Wm Thomas, Taylor of co apd. 25£
100 a - on no. 5. of 8/1st Swamps, gt.
Joe. Byrnum 7-11-1719. - Tree lands
by Deed from the sd Joe. Byrnum to Anthony
Franco the father of the within named Joe.
Franco.

10-27-1740

Joe. Baker, Jordan Thos., John Davis
1 of W 5-547.

S. 252. Lem Thomas of Co of '04 + wife Elizabeth to
1694-1709 Joseph Tharp all our right To 50a of lot.
Robt Ciddick, Robt Tharp, Rich Robinson
11-27-1702 (witnesses if) both write names

44. ord that Capt, Wm Thomas shall
C.C keep intact all the est of May John
Westhrope died, that is in his hands.
1655 -

Sol. G.B2-515: Wm Thomas a St. 1759

S. 1699-1709

230. Wm Thomas - to Joz. Tharp.
Wife Eliza Rel. Dover 1702

C.C70. Mr. Rice Hoe — — desire that ye pay
to ye Treas John Saunders — 5 Sterling
due Mr. Sadler. 4-3-1655
for Mr. Jo. Sadler. Will Thomas

2nd. Let Wm Thomas + wife Silviah,
+ Joseph Holleman trustee for workland of
one J & Gas Prisoner of the other.

1808. 409

U B

244. Gabriel Gille assignee of as. Applebarte
ast (in debt).
Wm Thomas + Joseph Crocker. Debt 1765-

001 54. 175-3. Ed Marmaduke Standfield of Seamenburg to
Halifax Wm Thomas of Halifax

C.C. 1737-51

289 L W + T of Wm Thomas - pres by Rich Ford Ex
app ast - Chas Floyd. Peters + Wm Crocker + Tho
Johnson - 1743.

Wm J. Thomas d. Nov. 4, 1872
+ Cherry Mary Thomas d. 11-17, 1866
in her 69th H. Enc. pg 439

Thomas.

1866
69
1797

1656 Why did Wm
Thomas' + one John
Sanders died in behalf
of the mother of Ed Sanders
for Physick + looking to
May. Wishaye household.

S Bk I - 99

S. 1694-1709

351.

The Carwell + wife Mary 10,000 North by Wm Thomas
of 25th - 1000 - in Survey formerly given to John
Spillmeyer by pat 11-16-1648 descended to ad Mary
as heir at law to sd John Spillmeyer at Smith Trench
adj John Cocker, Tho. Warren, 5-7-1706
Geo Riddick, Thos Clements, Phillip Kelley

4-17-1664 - ✓

John Hilliard says
the cattle he has belongs
to his wife Jane Hillier (nee)
by deed gift from
Wm Thomas wh. deed
is in the possession of
his brother Tho. Ballard.
Survey Blk 1-238

May 14-1702 - Lt Edw. Barnes
of Sol + Geo. Summerville of ad Co.
40 £ - 2000 - by 1000 - Tree
land - stake standing in one of
the lead lines of the Pat div. Wm.
Thomas + Geo. Barnes - see week Sur.
pt of 440 a gift by pat 10-28-1702 unto
Tho. Joyner, other 100 a bounded by
pat gift Geo. Barnes 3-23-1715 -
Wm Taylor (signed Barnes)
Tho Barnes
Simon Barret
Sol - D Bl - 319
Southampton

S O B. 1713+18

93. Wm Tho = Priscilla Ex 7
Tho. Blunt 1716

Sol
293

G. B. M.

1783

John Tho. Blou, Wm Thomas, Rlt Rich, Rich
Rich + Jos. Richs Ex of Rich Richs died.

Aug 31-1667 - Tho. Ballard's Consent to sale
of hogs given his sister Hilyard by Wm Thomas
to Thos. Gray to raise stock for her own + her
childrens use. Survey Blk 1-288.

1664 - John Hilliard
Says the cattle he has
belongs to his wife
Jane Hillier by deed
gift from Wm Thomas
Wh. deed is in poss. of
his brother Th. Ballard.
(Eliza City - Sussex)
S. Bk 1 - 238

187.
S. Eliza Canfield agt Wm Thomas - that he had
intended her woman servant by name Eliza
Bramley 88 days - for wh she prayed damage to
pay 5-280 ltht & return sd servant woman. (1697)

S. O. B 1691-1713
179.
(RC) Wm Prosser's deed to Wm Thomas. wit Joz Lead
& Phillip Shelling. 1696

140 Wm Thomas Jr - crosses road 1718
S. O. B 1713-18

r 48. Bond for Wm. Thomas To keep an Ordinary at
5b#5- Weaveneck - sequel - Wm Foster + Rich. Smeltz 1710/11

Survey 1691-1713 O.B.

1411 Andrew Cant, clk - agt for Wm. Thomas 1695-1713

Survey 1730-38

326. Appr est of Wm Thomas 281-13-10. Wm
Blunt Ex of Priscilla Thomas Ex of Wm Thomas
and by Jas Washington, Mo. Johnson
9-19-1733

S. 1694-1709

252. Wm Thomas of 1 of W + wife Elizabeth
assign + make over to Joseph Thorp of the
Co. of Sevier our right to within mentioned
50 a. of land (nothing to show in deeds before +
after what 50 a he meant) 3 of 9 bet 1701 (both wife names)
RC Rbt Riddick, Rbt Thorp, Rich Robinson
11-27-1702

Survey 1694-1709.

252. Wm Thomas of ye Co of 1 of W + Elizabeth
my wife - do make over to Joe Thorp of ye Co of
RC Sevier - all our right to within mentioned 50 a of
land - 3 of 9 bet 1701 -
Rbt Riddick, Rbt Thorp, Rich Robinson

R. H. GILL

Insurance

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1656. Why did Wm
Thomas' set over John
Sander deed in behalf of the
mother of sd Sander + 1000 for
physick + looking to Mary
Westrays household + salary
of Mr. Aglarawe ?

Seery Bk 1 - 99

Saml. Waterhouse sold Wm Thomas
50 a of land on which Waterhouse lived 1652 - P. 101

Thos. Ballards
Consent to sale of
hays given his
Sister Hilijard by
Wm Thomas to
Mr. Gray to raise s^{ft}ch
for her own + her child
use. 1667

S. Bk 1 - 288

C. C. 70.

Mr. Rice Roe.

and so ffward — desire you pay to ye leavoz
herof John Sanders ye five pound ster due to
Mr. Sadler + so my being a fine for ye land you hold
att — — — your suff. discharge to —
acknowledge it again ye back side of your lease or
otherwise as shall be that fild — 4-5-1655 —

Will Thomas.

Patrice — Mrs Roe receipt of rent her husband
use of Mr. John Sadler — 1656.

Charles City Bk 1

44 Ordered that Capt Wm Thomas shall keep intact all
est of Major John Westhorne in his hand & give
receipt on demand to Mr. Chas Spenser 165-6 ✓

C.C -

66 Wm Thomas Date of Jordan deed - info June 165-6 ✓

228

S Bk 1

89.

The bal. of rev. accounts for goods sold by
Wm Thomas for the acct of John & Henry Richard
to make return of est of Wm Thomas -
in behlf of John Richard of Jordan merit - Samuel
Bridges Freeman 165-6. ✓

165-6 - Wm Thomas ✓
Est outery - land 350 a
to John Richards & Arthur
allen.

Survey Bk 1-91

S. O. B 1713-18

18. act of debt - Wm Stronger vs Wm Thomas 1713 debt

1715
Wm Thomas Jr - appt ^{Road} ~~overseer~~ of Rd. 140 -
6.3.1713-18-

Severy Wm Thomas - sd / ad formerly gnted to
Anthony Spulten by in 1648 - in Ware he
saw - Lt Rich Smith & Peter Deberry
10 - 103

Wm Tho. of yoke to London, deed
of gift to dear wife Ann, & my loving
con-intaw, Tho. Ballard.

James July 1661.
Bray
John Redding

Bk 3 - (124) - 321.

York Co.

Thomas, Wm - 150 a James City 1704
✓ Hamah - 100 a ✓
✓ John 250 a ✓
V. H. M. vol 31 - 161

Godwin Tho. wife to Wm. Thomas Jan 20
1709 - 105 -
Jar. City

Wm. Thomas dead. Mar. 22, 1676 - 85 -
Jar. City

1729.

1018.

Saml Magit guard for Wm Thomas - Wm
Bleant on land 1729 Wt R. S. Woodhams.

Sunny

3-2-1742 Lt John Thomas Planter of
Delaware Co + Saml Thompson of Sevier -
conced 5 Shd - 185a - in Par of Sowark, 2d
land being gtd Wm Thomas of D & W Co.
by Pat Haring date 11-13-1713 - hundred -
beg at Wareneck Mill Swamp, a corner tree
bet Rich. Smith + Peter Deboay to a hand
wh. divide this land from Mr. Saml. Thompson
to John Clements corner tree, tree of Mr.

The Warren

Oren Seign

Rich Blow gr. Beny + Hannah Crane

8-17-1743

D B 5-150

(Sevier)

Servey 1694-1769

132

(RC)

1-2-1696. Let w^m Prosser of Servey to
w^m Thomas. T whereupon he now lives of
50 a - household goods etc etc - sd Thomas
binds himself for 100 £ - to fend & provide for
sd Prosser - food & lodging & his life in
d x/in funeral, except certain tax to wife Mary
Prosser

7-6-1697

Chas Chapman. Joe. Seat. Phillip Shelley

S. Bk I

240. John Hilleard - ack that the
cattle in my power are the cattle
& sd of my wife Jane Hilleard & that
I have no power to sell etc as ag
by ye deed of gift from w^m Thomas -
wh. deed remains in ye custody of
my Bro. Th. Ballard. 4-17-1664.
Geo Jorham. Will may?

Benjamin	Joseph	Martha
Even	Lucy	Mary
Charles	Lewis	Priscilla
David	Mark	Rowland Thomas

Benjamin Thomas = Eliza Young.
 11-15-1792
 by Rev. John Cannon

Halifax

Even Thomas of Charlotte Co. — to wife Mollie
 Thomas entire est. wth Cooke + Jo. White ex
 Rth Caldwell Jan 7, 1770
 Rth Mary, Sethie Realey. 2-16-1775-
 W. 101-108

Ben ^{Thomas} The Ballard of York + G. Co.
 mar. Anna Thomas by 1635-
 V. P. pg 2310

Charles Thomas + Rebecca Davis
 mar 5-9-1723. V. P. 202
 Middlesex Co

D#2 Essex
P 103. Saml. Parry to David Thomas
only the Cooper - signed Eliza Parry
and Will Johnson - Will Semill (?) 1659

Indenter
Joseph Thomas & morning/dinner from
just husband (Richard Morgan) See
D B#18 - p. 651 Nathan Ward

John Chopman
= Lucy Thomas
mar 10-1802



~~Louis Thomas & on Paul~~
~~of Rich. Valentine to John~~
~~Allen 1739 1704~~
~~Swing 1730-38~~

Thomas, Mark, 300 a. Kingston Par. Gloucester Co.
U. H. M. 32-285 1704

G. 106- Solh 1773
170 Martha Thomas assignee of Rich Rich

Mary Thomas, 100 a. Abington Par. Gloucester Co.
U. H. M. 32-341 1704

Levy 1730-38.

322 ap est of Presalla Thomas - w m slent ex - 151'6"3
by Saml. Briggs. Saml. Magit + Bartho. Peguers.
8-15-1733.

Thomas, Rowland - 610a - 14g + 2. 1704
U. H. M. 1732 - 1850.

8-23-1661 ✓

Roger Bellie + wife Bet.
to his hos. fra + Robt Kennells
born of my mat. mother Alice
Gregory (now wife of John G.
Jones of died Rich. Kennells of
Laure ck. (endestly orphan for
died made to Gregory for their use
on Laure ck. pt of land leased
to Thomas ap. Thomas, to
Tho. ap Thomas + John Burgess
as far as my part extendeth
into plant. called Mr. w m.
Butters. if both d. s. p to
return to Roger Belle.

Levy Bk 1 - 213

c. TRACY-THOMAS—Ancestry desired of Mary Drucilla Tracy, who married Jesse Thomas in Davidson County, Tenn., 1797. She was born in Virginia about 1775 and is said to have descended from a Colonial Governor of Virginia. Her ancestors went to Connecticut and some of their descendants re-returned to Virginia.

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Appraisal of the est of Elias
Port ordered Mar 10, 1678. made
by Edw. Brantley, John Britt, Wm.
Baldwin, Edw. Champion.
1679. W + NB 2-188.

Thomas Mander Sr. + Sarah
Mander, Tho. Mander Jr.
ack. & a part to Abraham Rich.
1700. NB 1. 332
File under Thomas

See B. 2 - P 205
3 days 5 mo 1678

William Boddie gave
cattle to Henry & Mary
Martin 3 children

Joe, Isaac, Nancy, Rebecca, &
Sally Bellens, infant children of
John Bellens. -- Olive Bellens
Widow 1807. (Thomas) 257.
OB 1806-4.

Thomas

Deeds of John Goodrich aged 88
saith that Indian Cooper abt
60 yrs ago gave a parcel of land
for a Great on Warequak Bay
where many Dickson now live
& her father won Phillip's weed
on this land several yrs before
from the recty Mar. 5, 1697-8
Ru. H. ms vol 11-83

Floyd. March 30, 1736 - Joama
Sawry, my 2 sons James & Matthew
Sawry 15 lly apiece. rest of my Est to
be equally divided between Francis, I had
Tho Floyd, Geo F. & Joseph Floyd. I
make my son Geo Floyd Ex - my great
chest I give to my son Francis Floyd
more than the rest.

Robt Tynes — May 22-1738
Elizabeth Driver.

1. 1 of W - W.B. 4 - 203

Wm Bridger leaves
a request to Wm
Dixon ?

1730

W. B 3-230

Look up

James Fickett, Est 76 seven to. Benj.
John Tho, Wm. Halcot, Joseph,
Abraham & 4 sis. Susanna, Jane
Margaret & Wmfred.

1738

Simon Chant's

Wm. Russell

John Drinkwater.

9-22-1759

Annalée

Bl I - 145-